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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:)
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Yasuhiro OKUMOTO et al.) Group Art Unit: 1792
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Application No.: 10/539,246) Examiner: Empie, Nathan H.
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Filed: May 9, 2006) Confirmation No.: 9261
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For: PROCESSING METHOD AND)
PROCESSING APPARATUS)
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Sir:

Applicants appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the
Examiner's decision mailed August 4, 2008.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☒ A Petition for extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed on November 6, 2008 extending the period for response to December 4, 2008.
2. ☐ A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to [Date] is enclosed together with a fee of .
3. ☒ The Appeal Fee of \$540.00 ☒ is enclosed or ☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
4. ☐ A pre-appeal brief conference is requested. The request and supporting documentation are attached.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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